

# Global Tropics Hazards And Benefits Outlook

3/23/2021

Dan Harnos

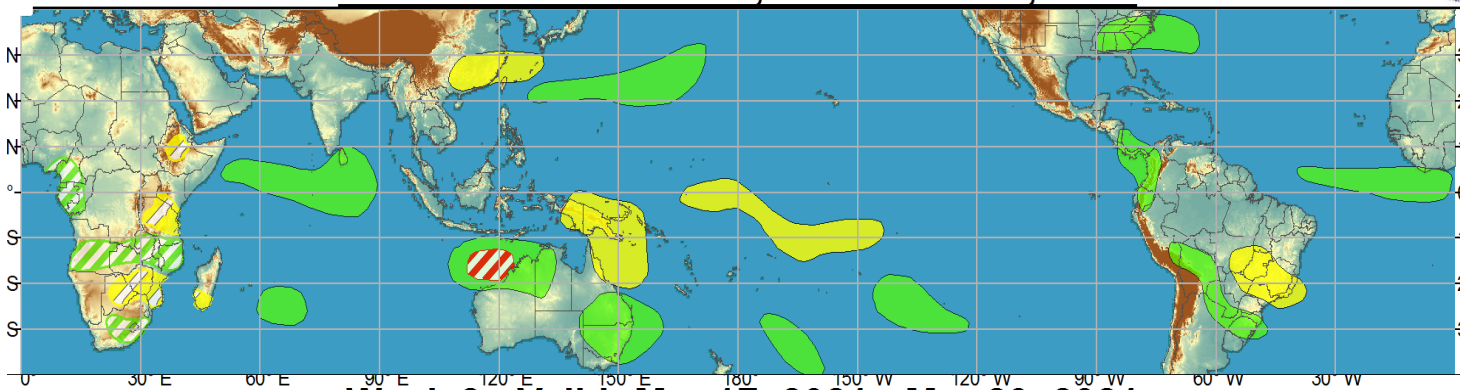
## Outline

1. Review of Recent Conditions
2. Synopsis of Climate Modes
3. GTH Outlook and Forecast Discussion
4. Connections to U.S. Impacts

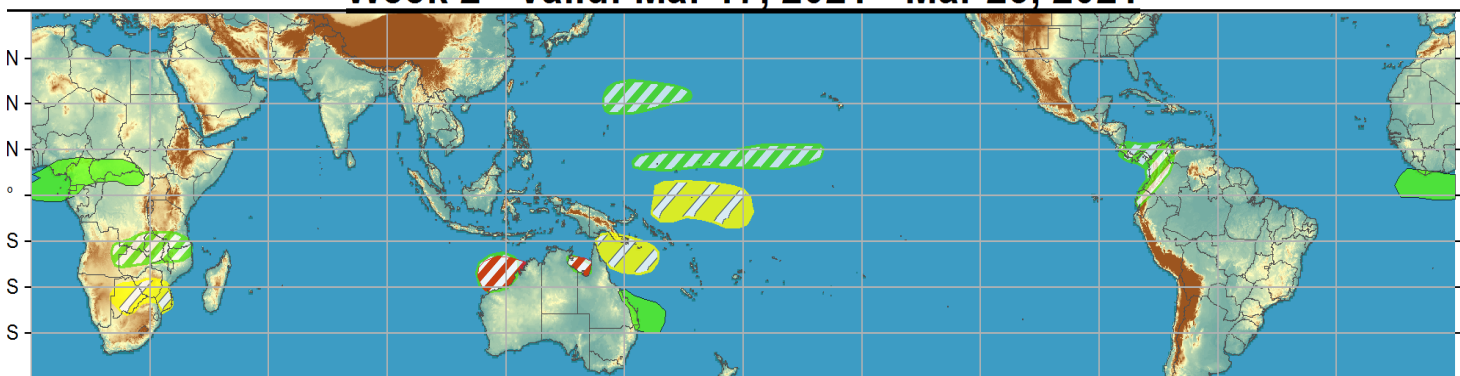
# Outlook Review

*No tropical cyclones have formed since last Wednesday.*

**Week 1 - Valid: Mar 17, 2021 - Mar 23, 2021**

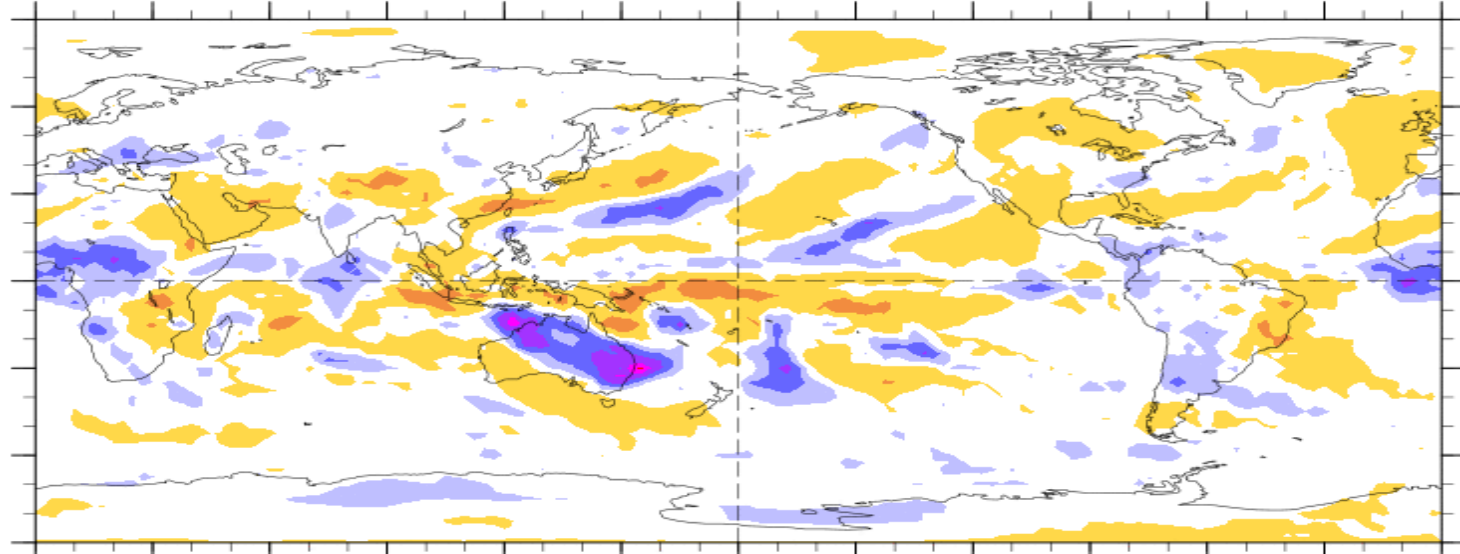


**Week 2 - Valid: Mar 17, 2021 - Mar 23, 2021**



7-Day Average OLR Anomaly

2021/03/15 - 2021/03/21



Cool shading  
More clouds/rain

Warm shading  
Less clouds/rain

# Synopsis of Climate Modes

## **ENSO: (11<sup>th</sup> of March Update)**

*next update on the 8th of April*

- ENSO Alert System Status: [La Niña Advisory](#)
- There is a ~60% chance of a transition from La Niña to ENSO-Neutral during the Northern Hemisphere spring 2021 (April-June).

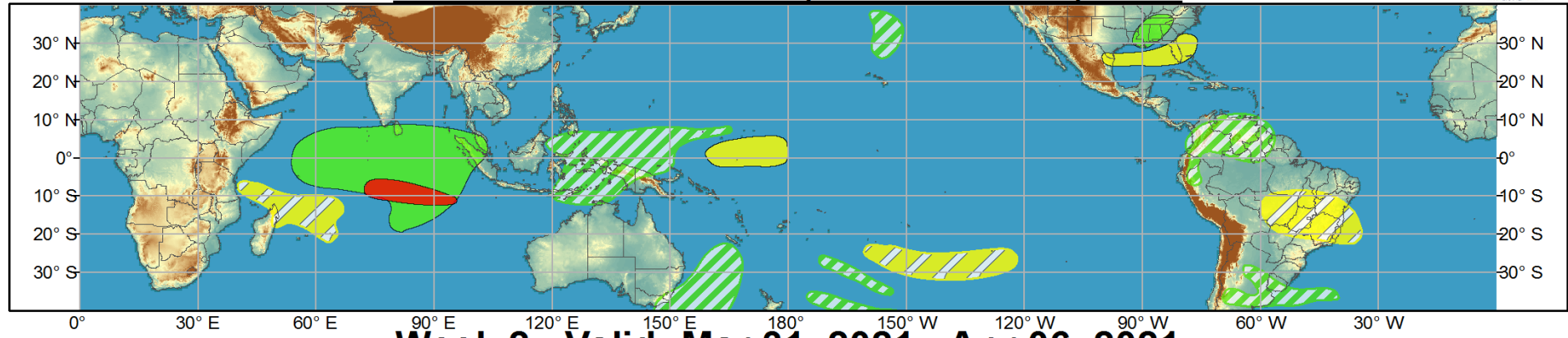
## **MJO and other subseasonal tropical variability:**

- The MJO is currently active over the Indian Ocean. Multiple equatorial Rossby waves are also analyzed over the Indian Ocean.
- Model guidance forecasts the MJO to continue propagating eastward, with the enhanced envelope reaching the West Pacific by late in Week-2.
- Tropical cyclone activity is likely to be enhanced over the Indian Ocean and over Northern Australia tied to the MJO's progression.

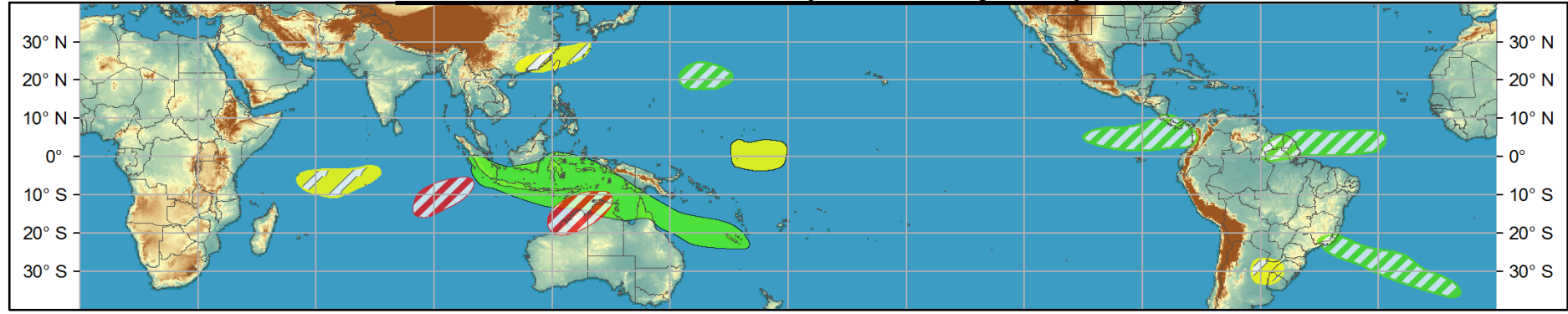


# Global Tropics Hazards and Benefits Outlook - Climate Prediction Center

## Week 1 - Valid: Mar 24, 2021 - Mar 30, 2021



## Week 2 - Valid: Mar 31, 2021 - Apr 06, 2021



Produced: 03/23/2021  
Forecaster: Harnos

Confidence		
High	Moderate	
<b>Tropical Cyclone Formation</b>		Development of a tropical cyclone (tropical depression - TD, or greater strength).
<b>Above-average rainfall</b>		Weekly total rainfall in the upper third of the historical range.
<b>Below-average rainfall</b>		Weekly total rainfall in the lower third of the historical range.
<b>Above-normal temperatures</b>		7-day mean temperatures in the upper third of the historical range.
<b>Below-normal temperatures</b>		7-day mean temperatures in the lower third of the historical range.

**Product is updated once per week, except from 6/1 - 11/30 for the region from 120E to 0, 0 to 40N. The product targets broad scale conditions integrated over a 7-day period for US interests only. Consult your local responsible forecast agency.**



# IR Satellite & 200-hpa Velocity Potential Anomalies

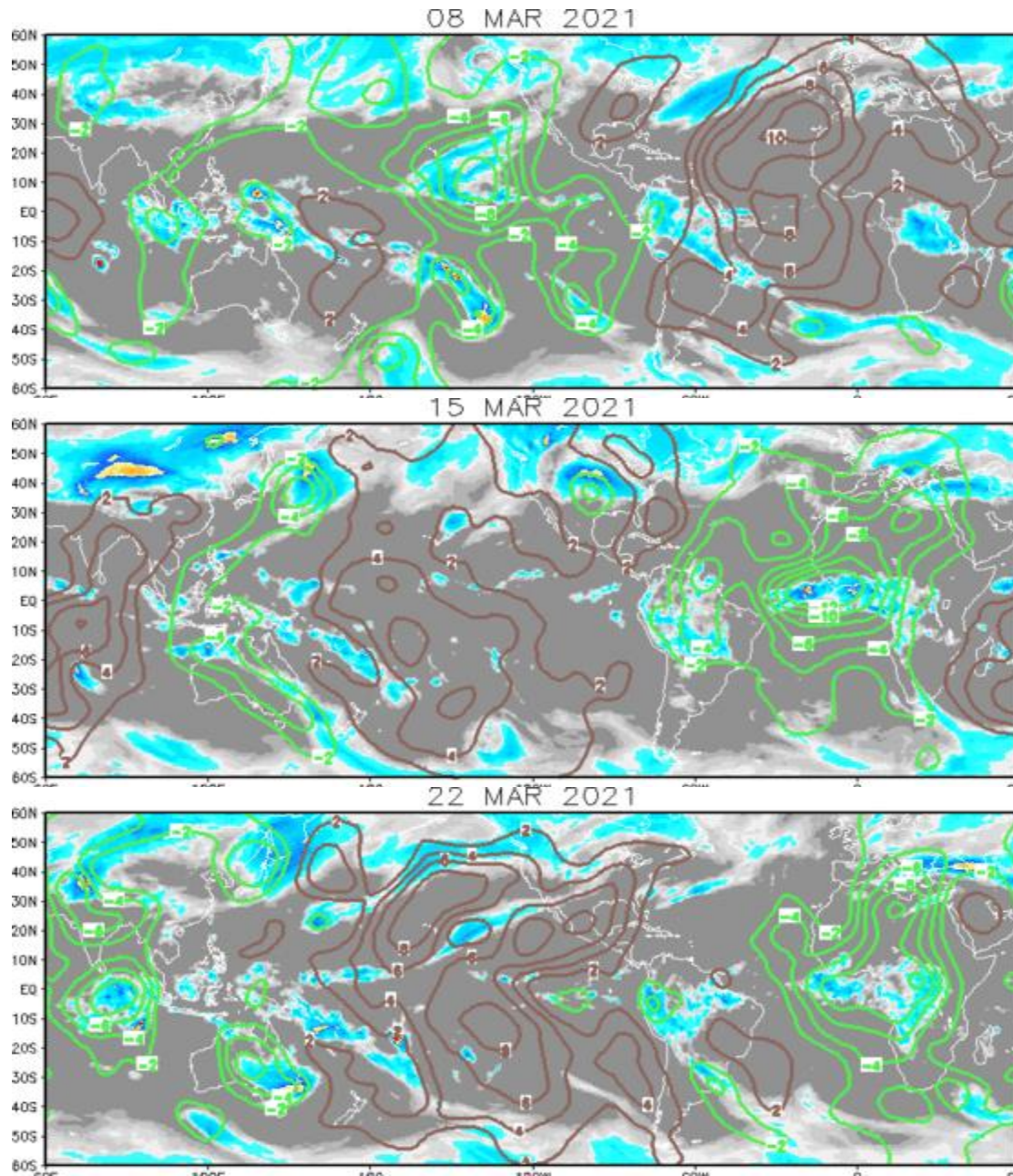
Green: Enhanced Divergence

Brown: Enhanced Convergence

The enhanced MJO envelope extends across much of the Central and Eastern Pacific, with some lingering enhancement of convection by La Niña over the Maritime Continent.

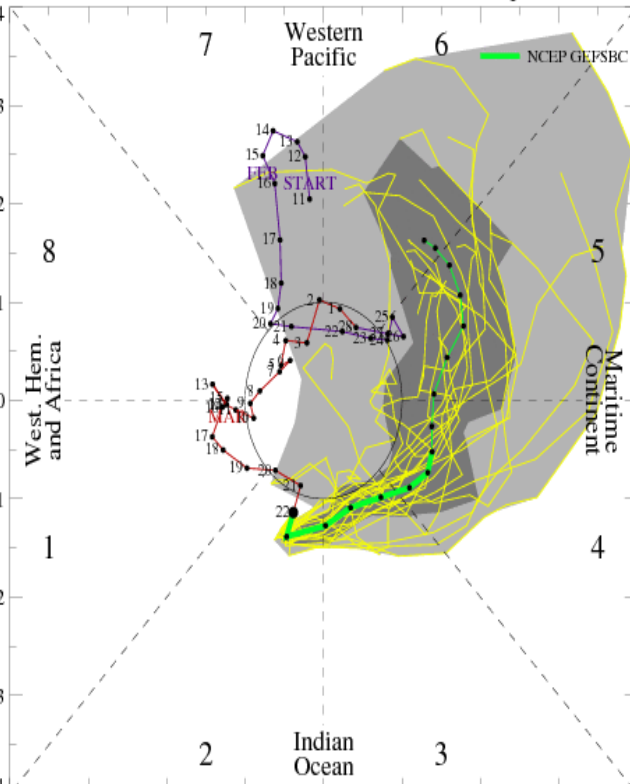
The enhanced envelope continued to shift east with the signal concentrated along the equatorial Atlantic and Gulf of Guinea. Suppressed conditions returned to much of the Pacific.

Enhanced convection continues its eastward progression, becoming focused across Africa and the Indian Ocean.

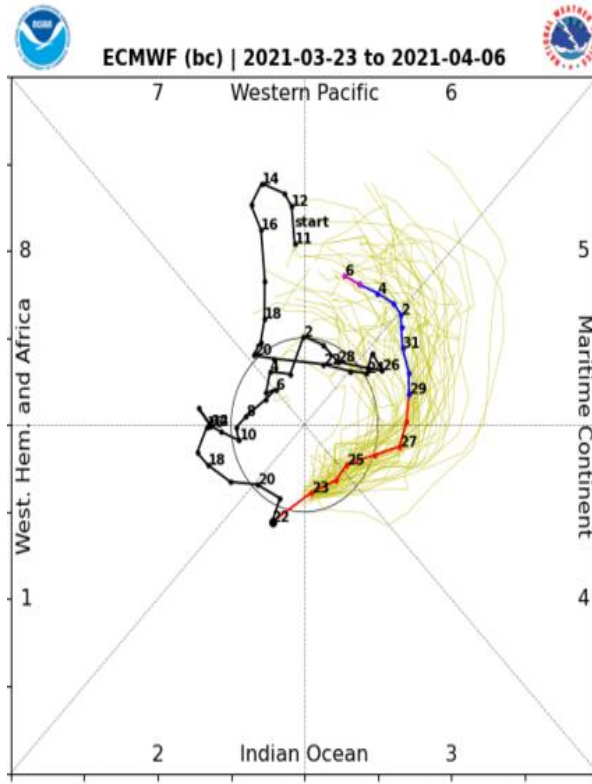


# MJO Observation/Forecast

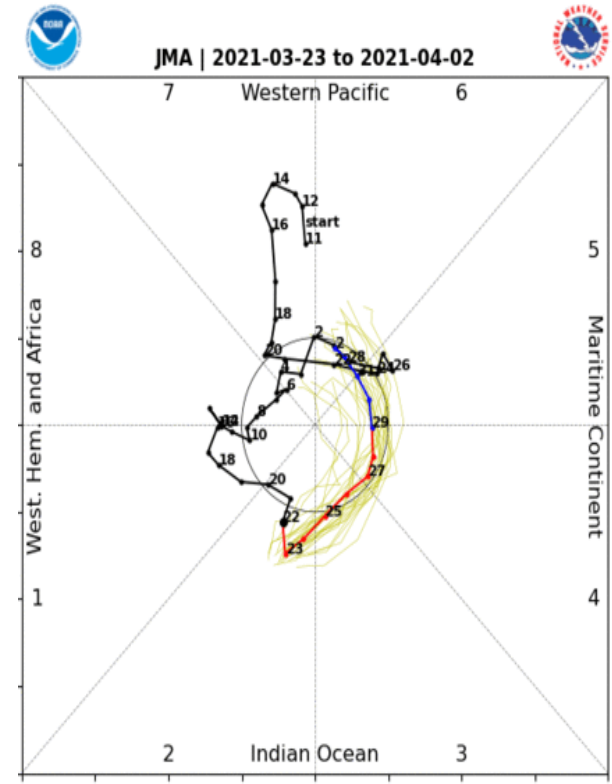
[RMM1, RMM2] forecast for Mar-23-2021 to Apr-06-2021



GEFS



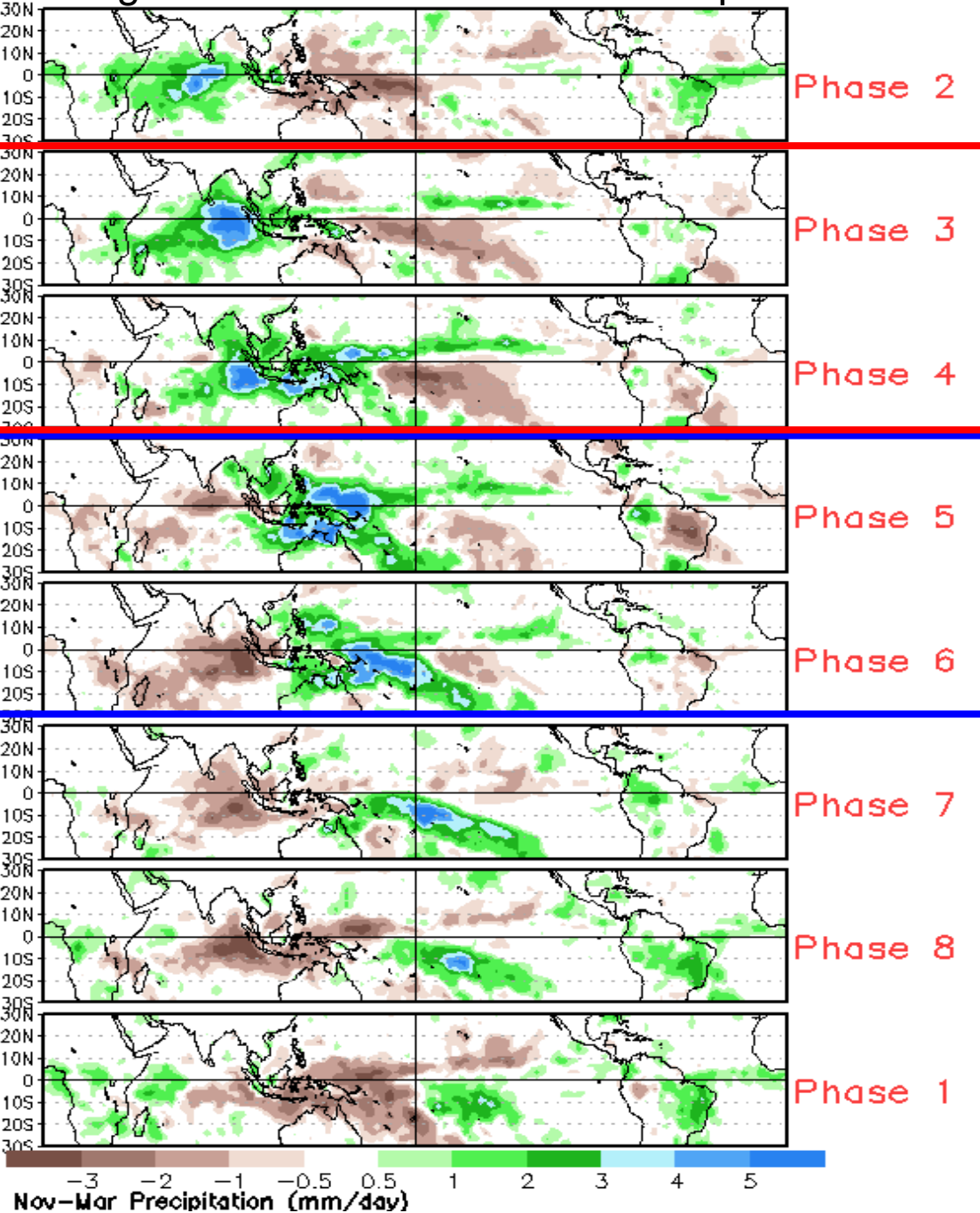
ECMWF



JMA

Models are consistent in showing the MJO signal propagating eastward the next two weeks, although the relative speed and intensity of the event varies.

# Average Conditions when the MJO is present



Week-1: Phases 3, 4

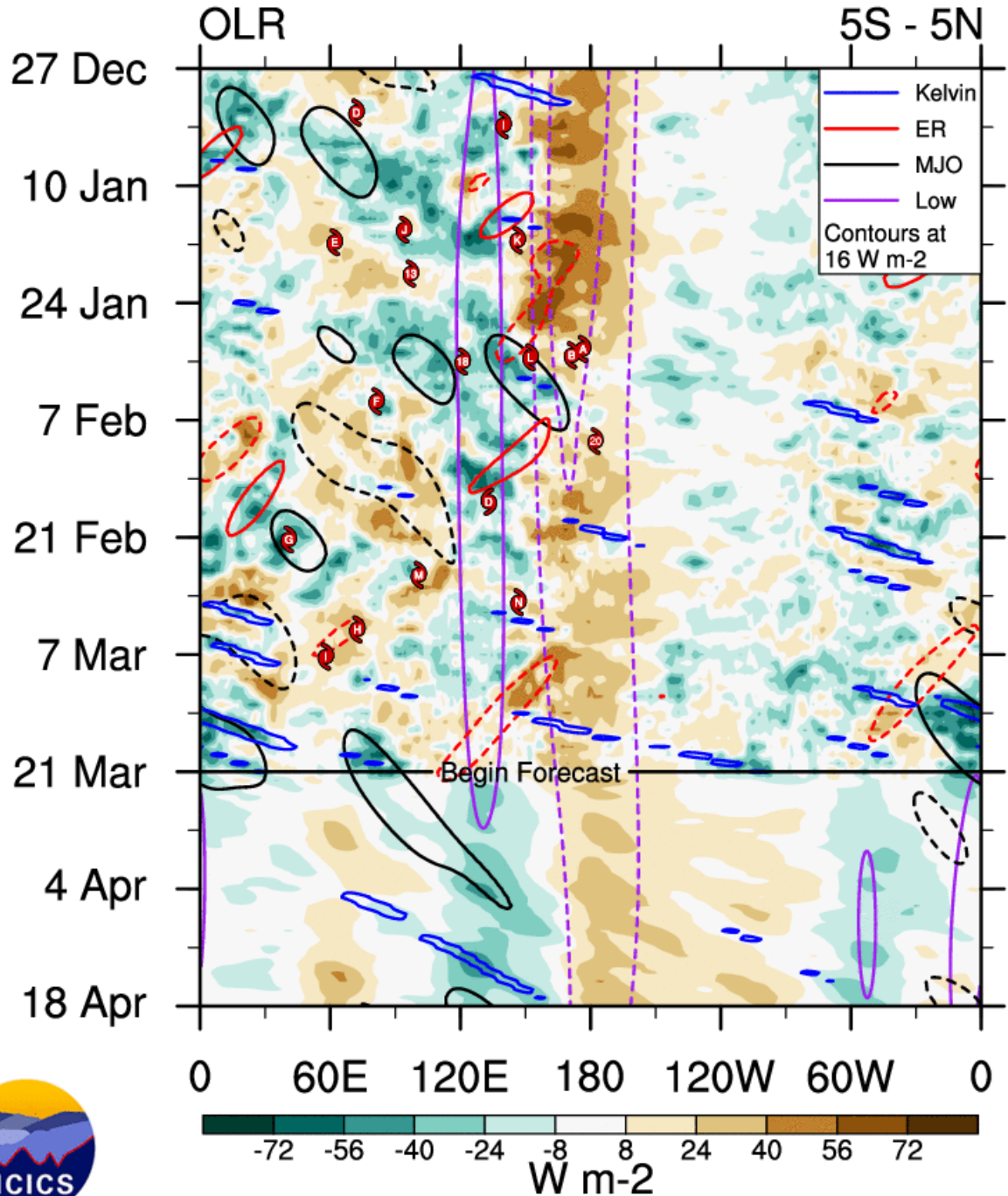
Week-2: Phases 5, 6

CAVEAT: These panels are representative of robust MJO events.

Two areas of **MJO** activity are analyzed, although the western one appears to be driven by a pair of **Kelvin waves**. The entire region is likely one larger intraseasonal envelope of enhanced convection.

**Equatorial Rossby wave** activity exists over the West Pacific and off the equator over the Indian Ocean (the latter is not apparent here).

**La Niña** continues to favor enhanced (suppressed) convection over the Maritime Continent (Date Line).

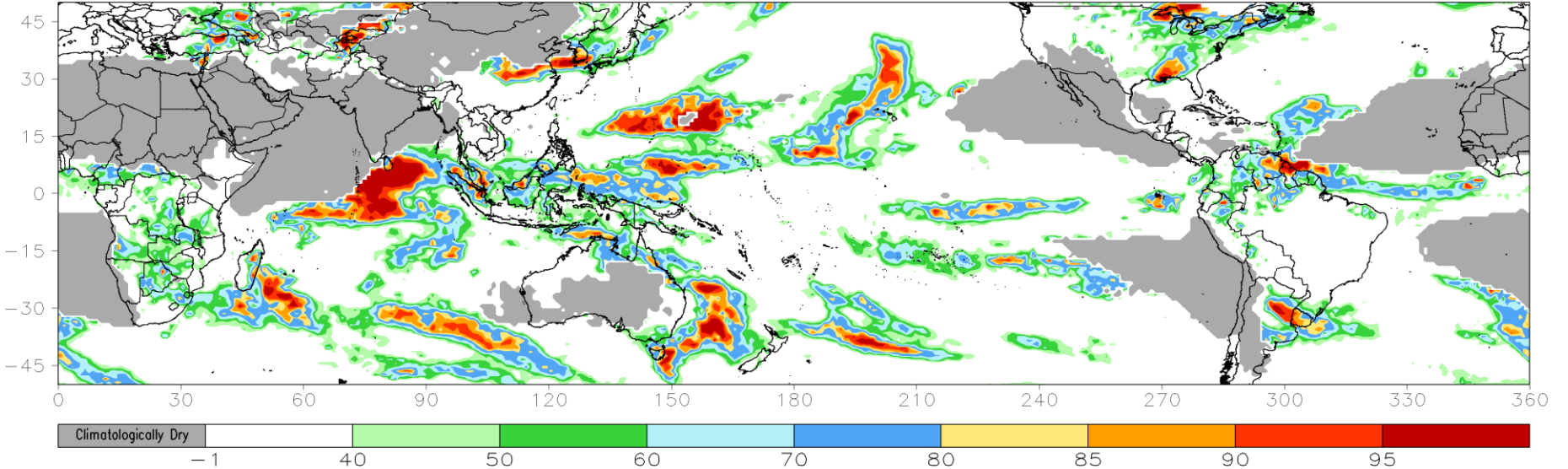




CFS/ECMWF/ECCC Correlation Weighted 00z: Week1 Probability for Total Rainfall Above Upper Tercile (%)

Valid: 24Mar2021-30Mar2021

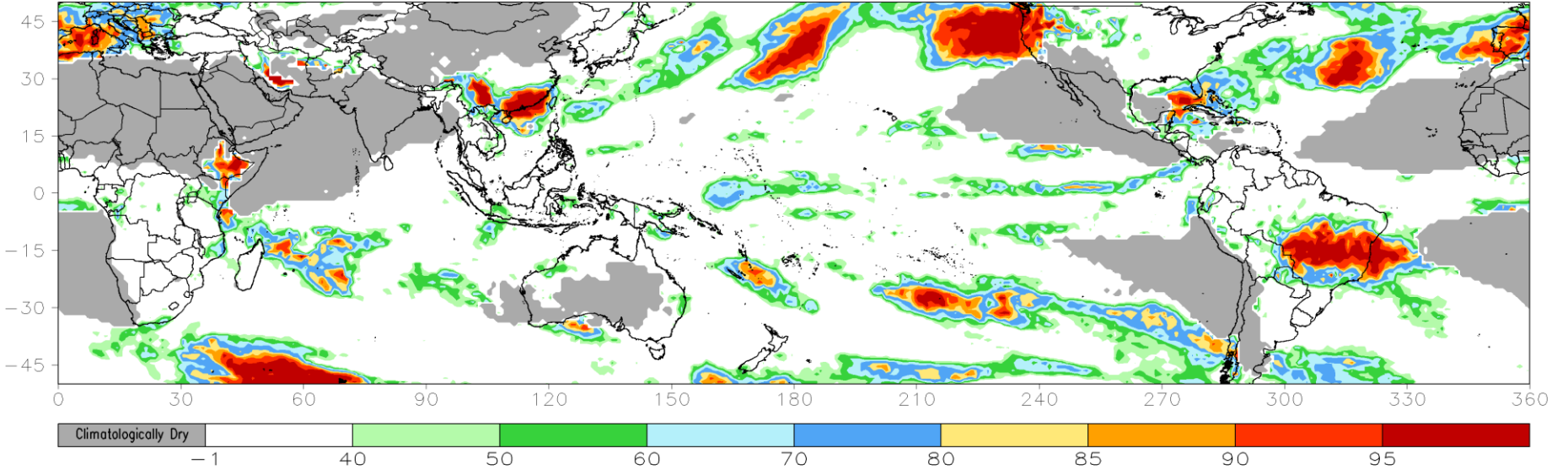
Above Upper Tercile (%)



CFS/ECMWF/ECCC Correlation Weighted 00z: Week1 Probability for Total Rainfall Below Lower Tercile (%)

Valid: 24Mar2021-30Mar2021

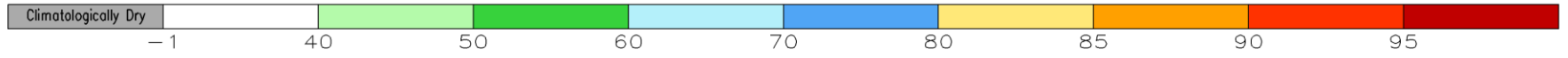
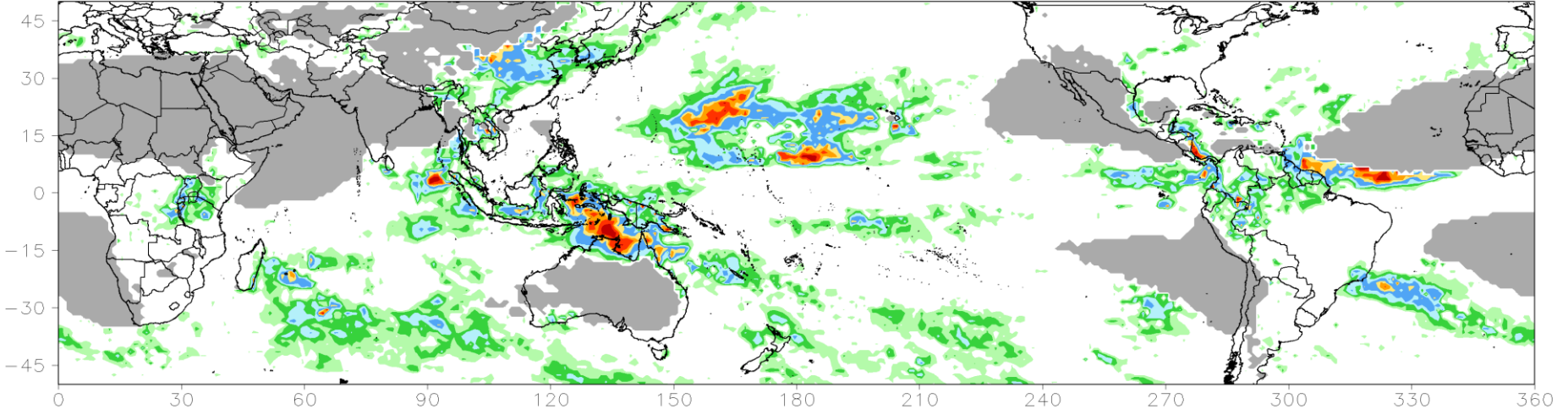
Below Lower Tercile (%)



CFS/ECMWF/ECCC Correlation Weighted 00z: Week2 Probability for Total Rainfall Above Upper Tercile (%)

Valid: 31Mar2021-06Apr2021

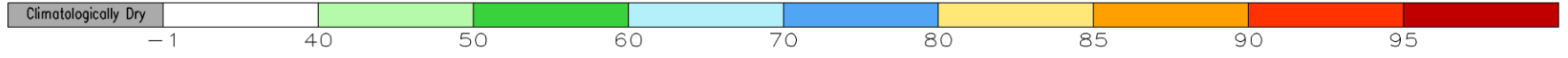
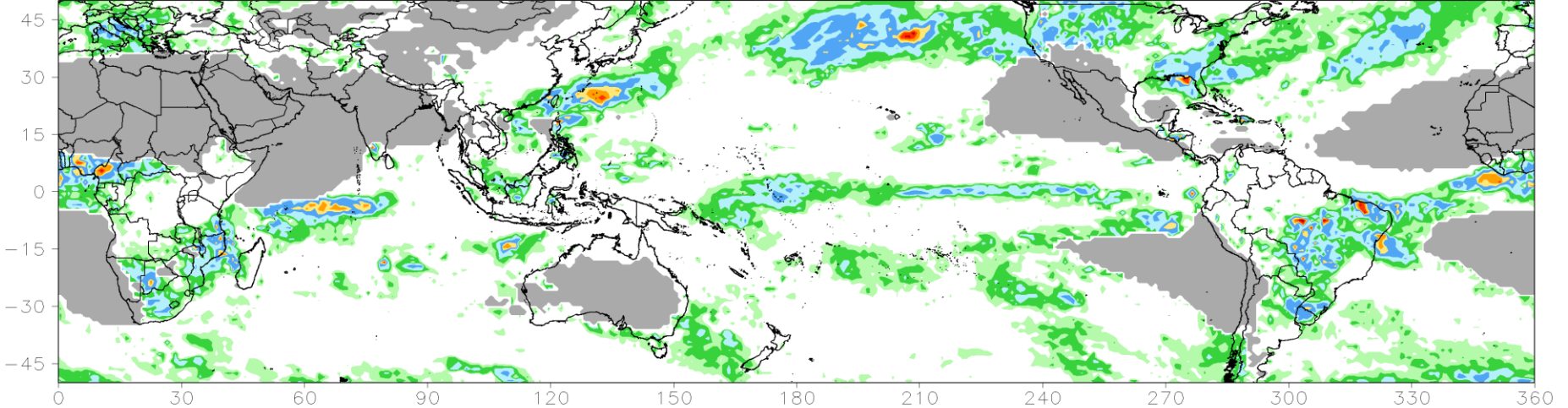
Above Upper Tercile (%)



CFS/ECMWF/ECCC Correlation Weighted 00z: Week2 Probability for Total Rainfall Below Lower Tercile (%)

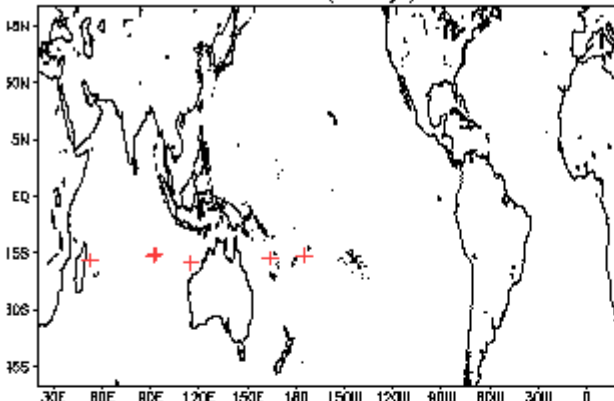
Valid: 31Mar2021-06Apr2021

Below Lower Tercile (%)

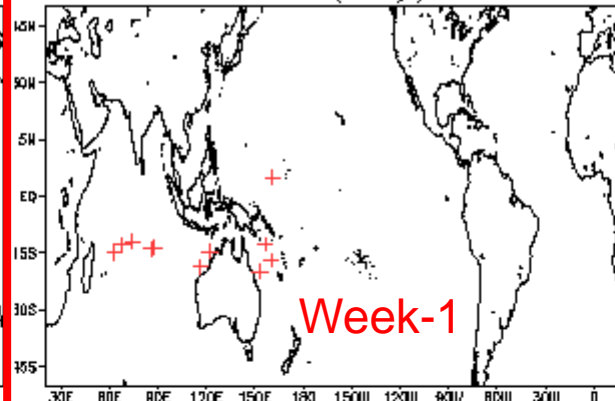


# March Tropical Storm Formation by MJO phase

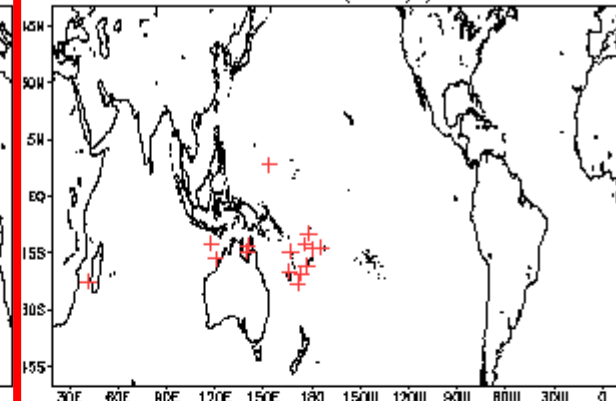
Phase 1 (98 days) 7 storms



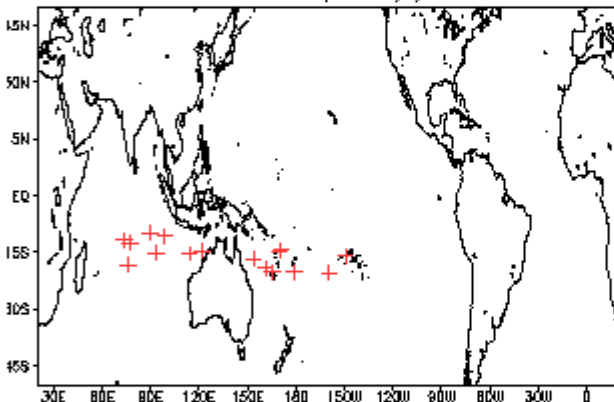
Phase 4 (72 days) 12 storms



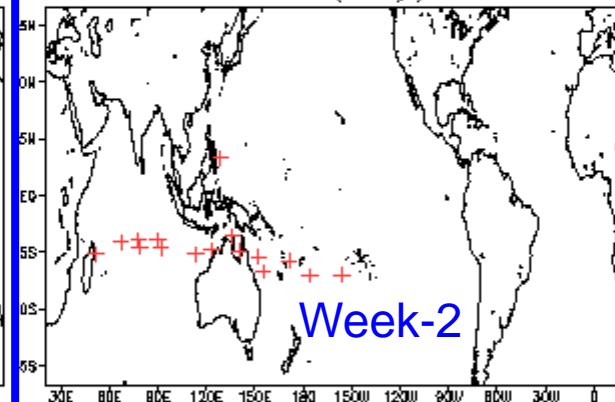
Phase 7 (81 days) 16 storms



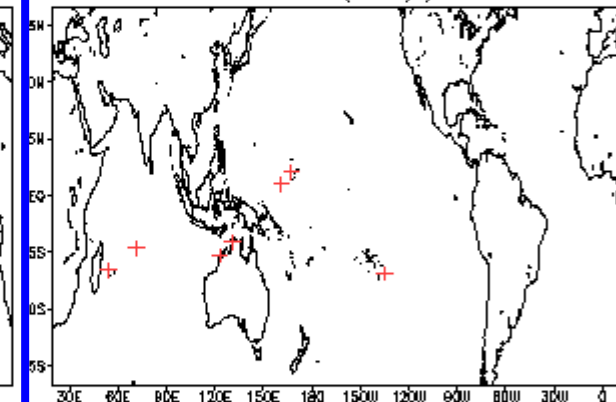
Phase 2 (111 days) 17 storms



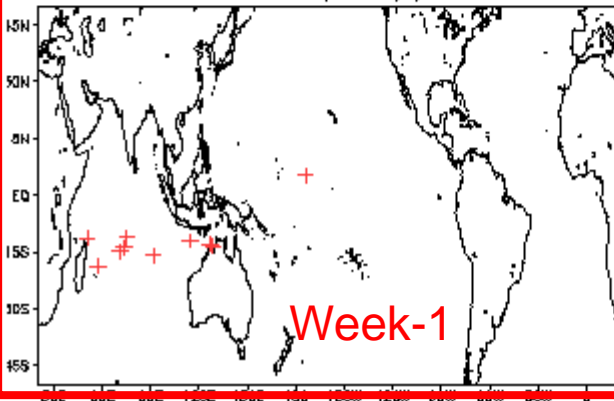
Phase 5 (77 days) 17 storms



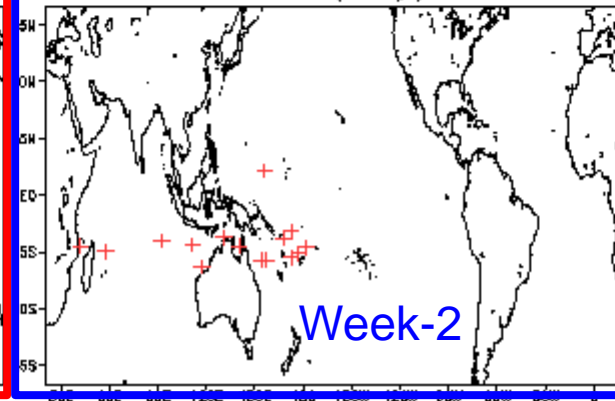
Phase 8 (92 days) 8 storms



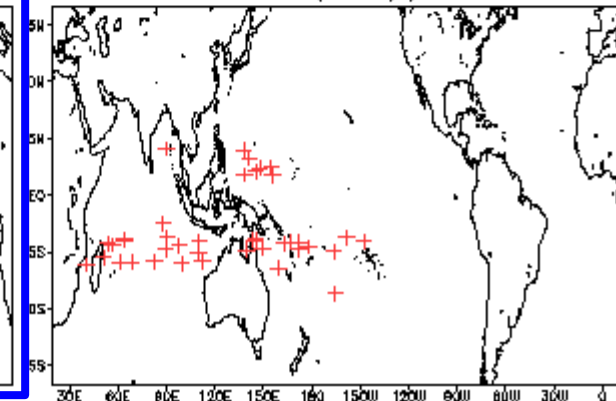
Phase 3 (108 days) 11 storms



Phase 6 (78 days) 16 storms



Null (322 days) 40 storms

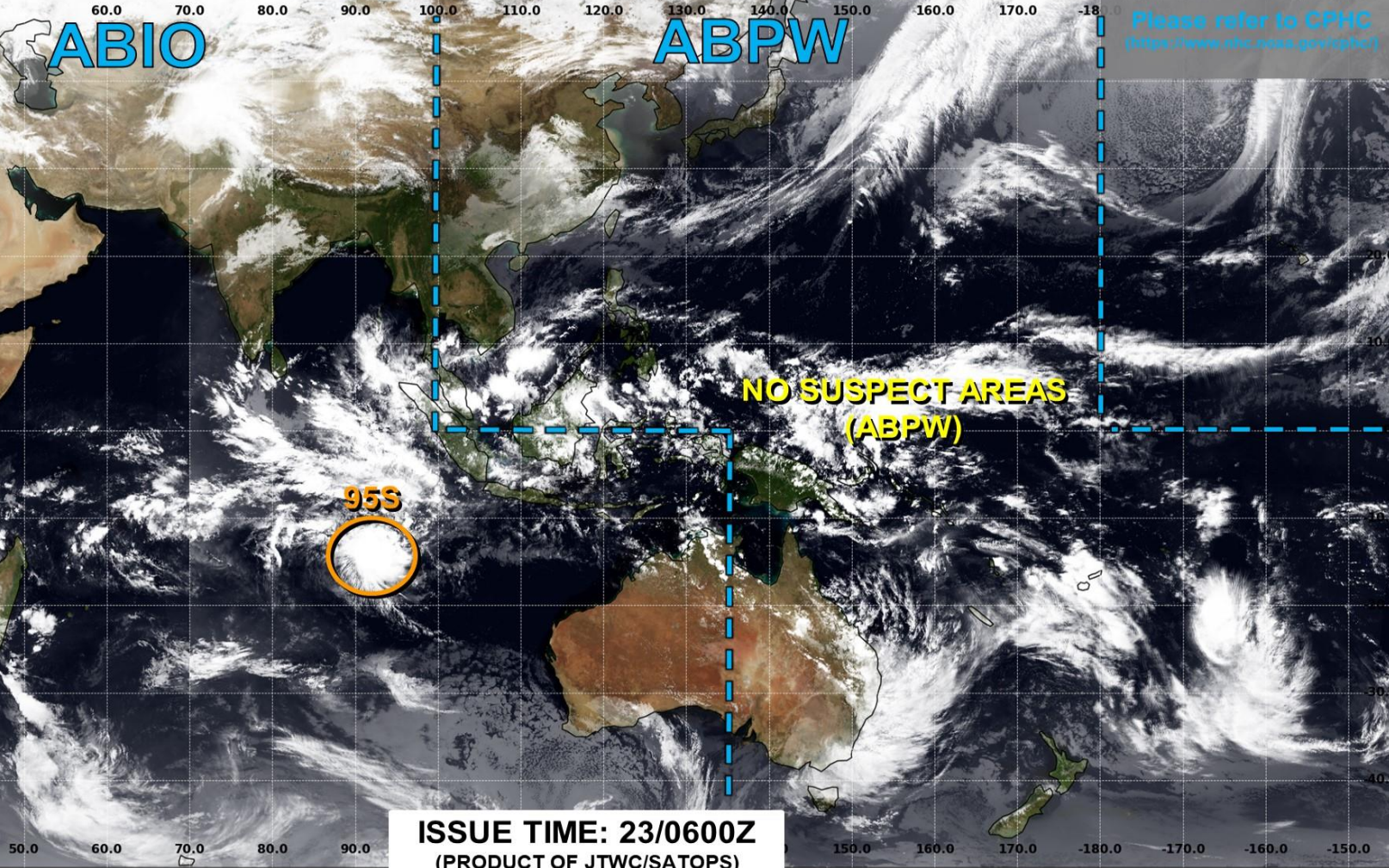




# JOINT TYPHOON WARNING CENTER



Naval Research Laboratory  
Marine Meteorology Division  
Cloud Layer Product  
Valid: 2021-03-23 04:00:00



**LOW**

TC development unlikely within 24 hours

**MEDIUM**

TC development likely, but expected to occur beyond 24 hours

**HIGH**

TC development likely within 24 hours (Reference TCFA)

**SUB TROPICAL**

Monitoring for potential transition to TC. Invest label color denotes tropical transition probability

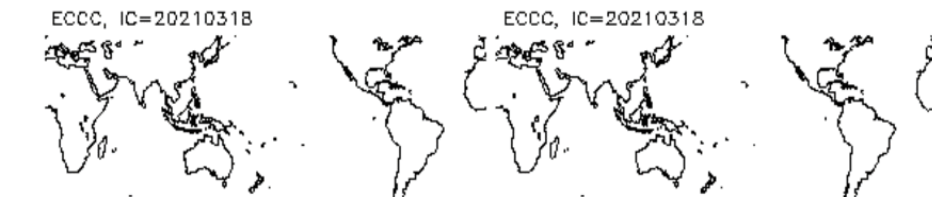
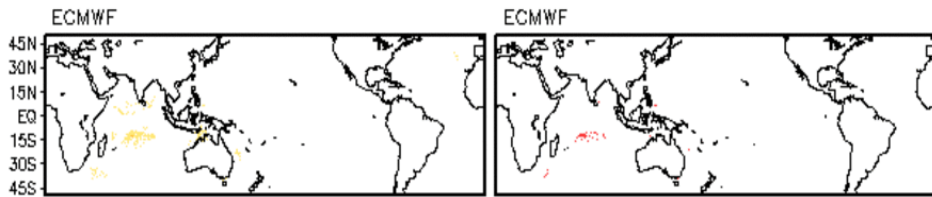
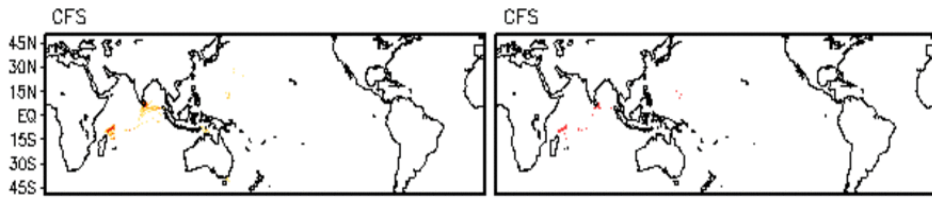
**Tropical Cyclone (Reference Warning)**

Storm Track Density Distribution, IC=20210322

Week 1 Forecast: 0324-0330

TRACK DENSITY

FILTERED

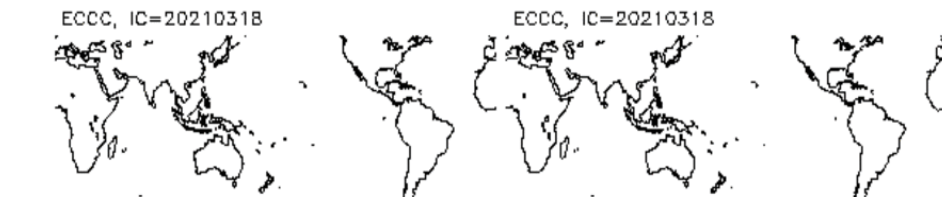
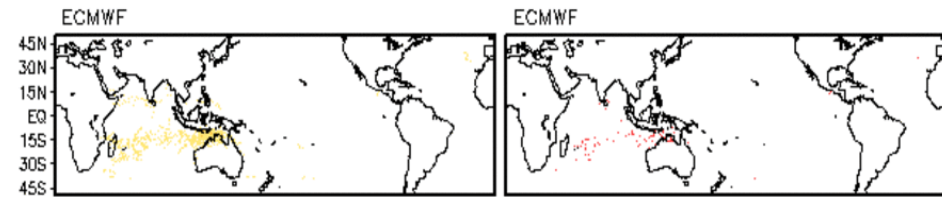
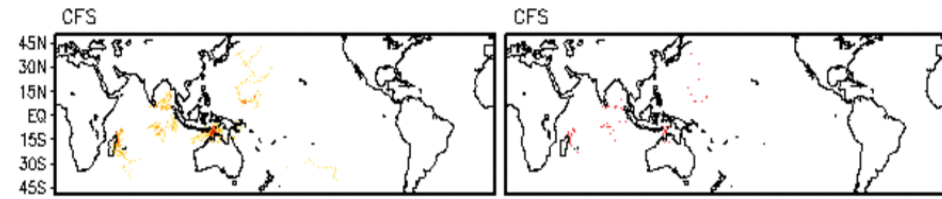


Storm Track Density Distribution, IC=20210322

Week 2 Forecast: 0331-0406

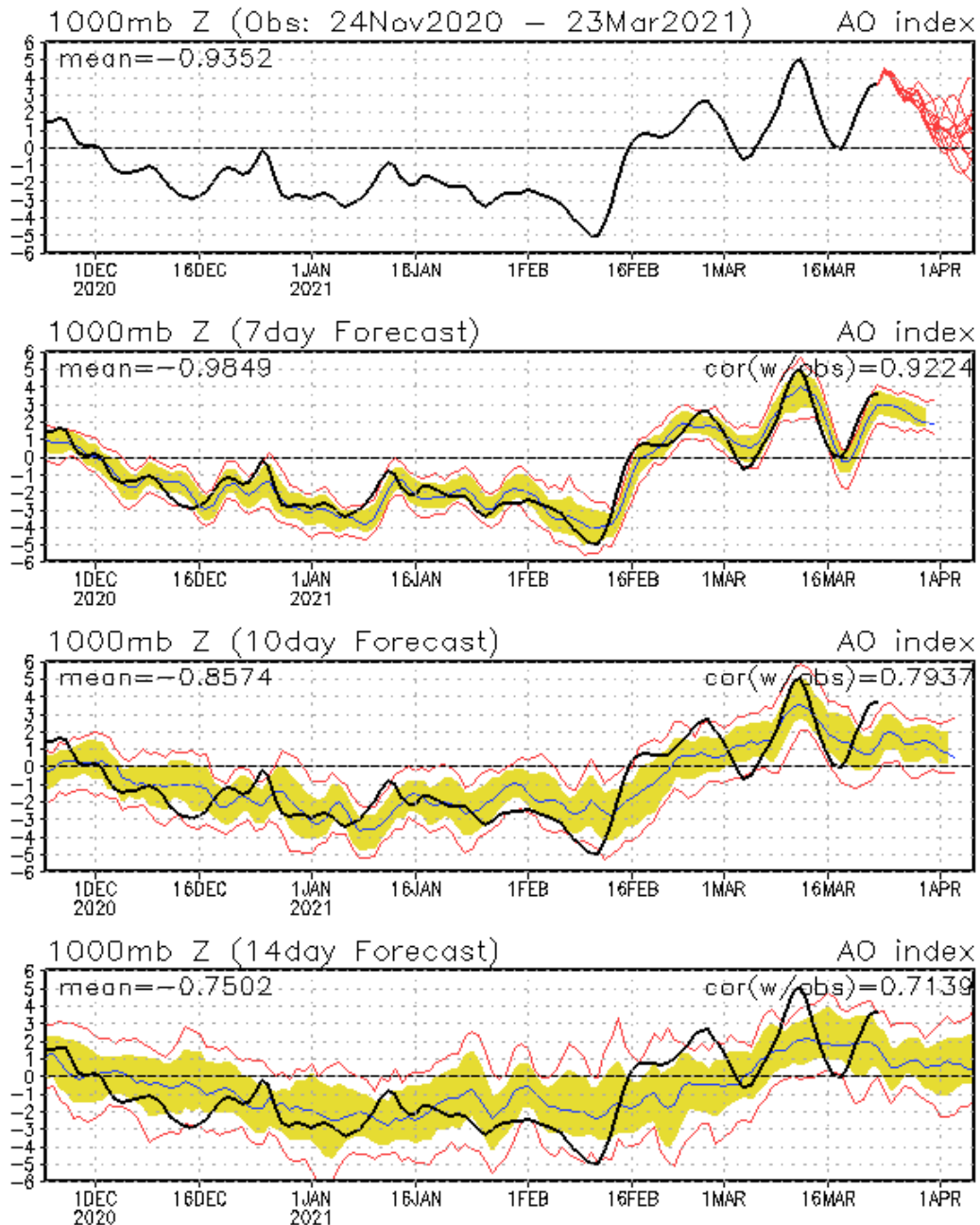
TRACK DENSITY

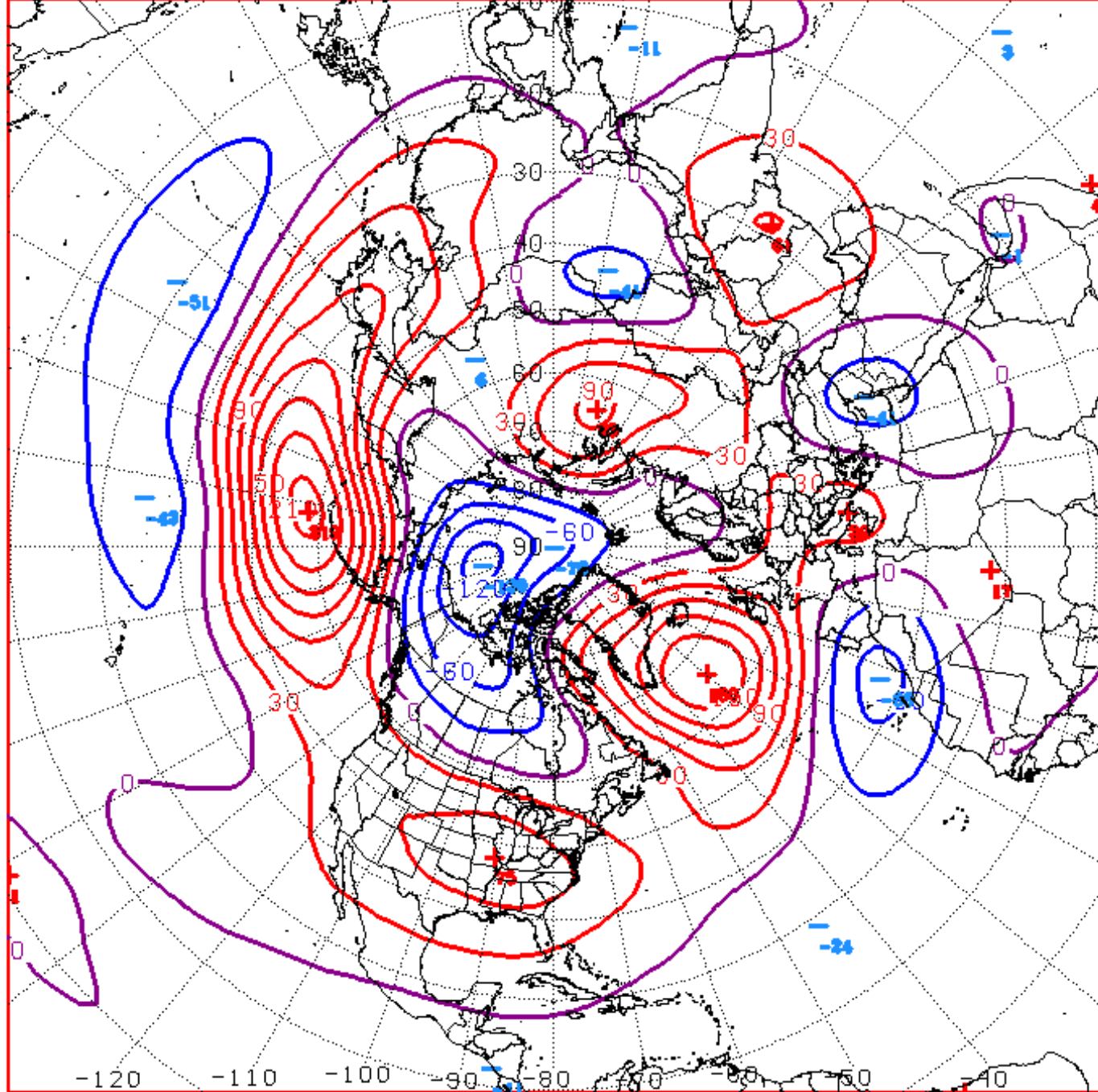
FILTERED



# Connections to U.S. Impacts

## AO: Observed & ENSM forecasts

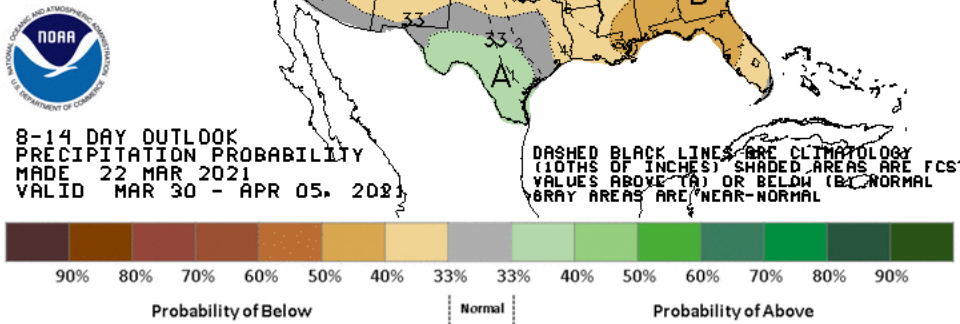
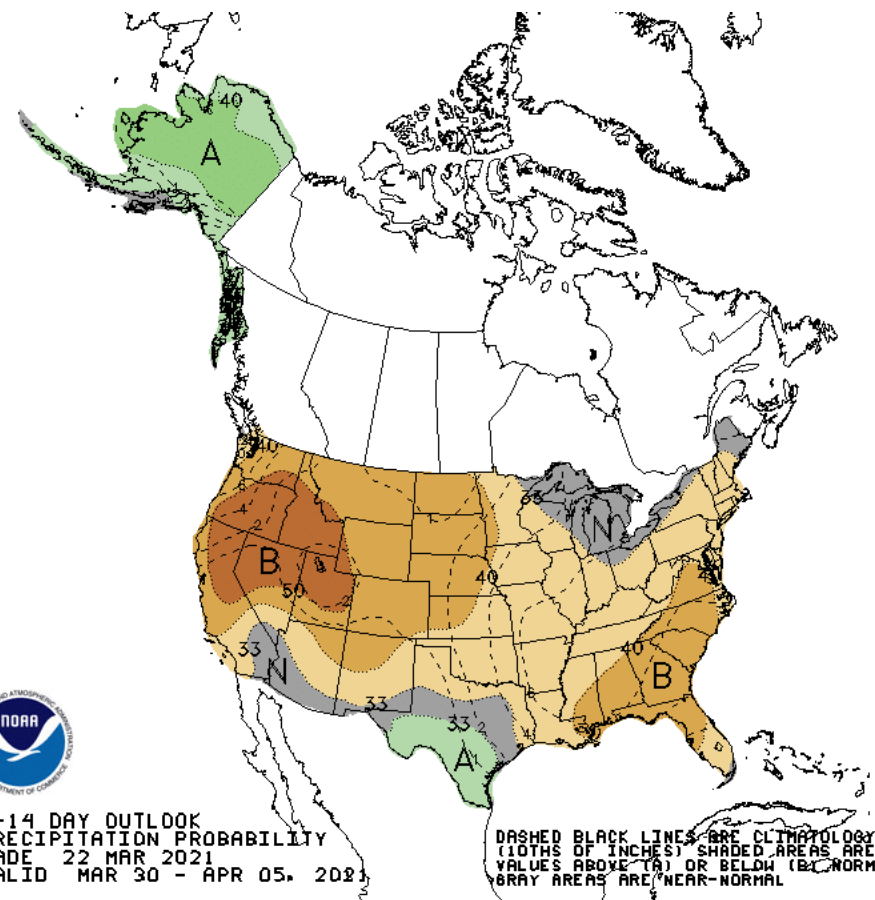
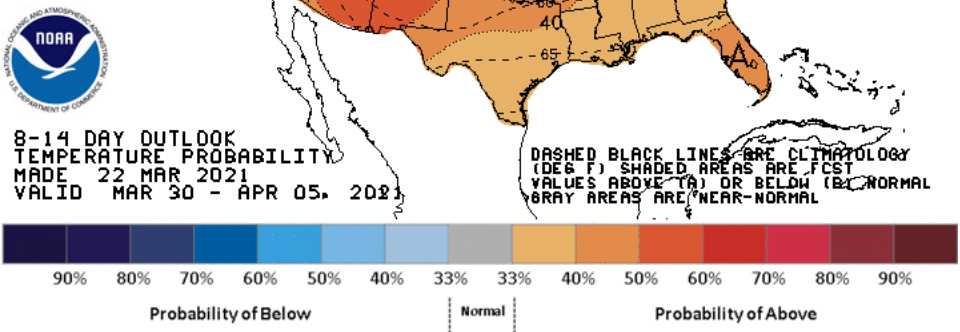
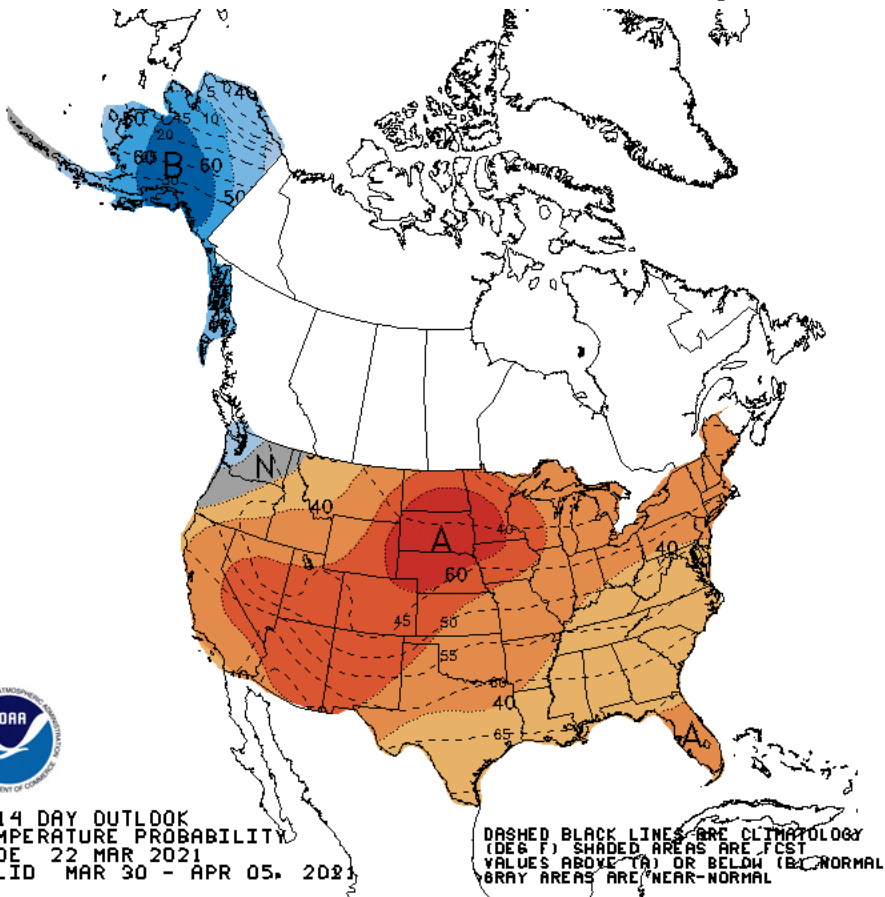




D+11 500 MB ANOMALIES FROM 00Z ECMM  
CPC MAP MADE MAR 23 2021 1017 UTC CNTD APR 03 2021



# Week 2 – Temperature and Precipitation

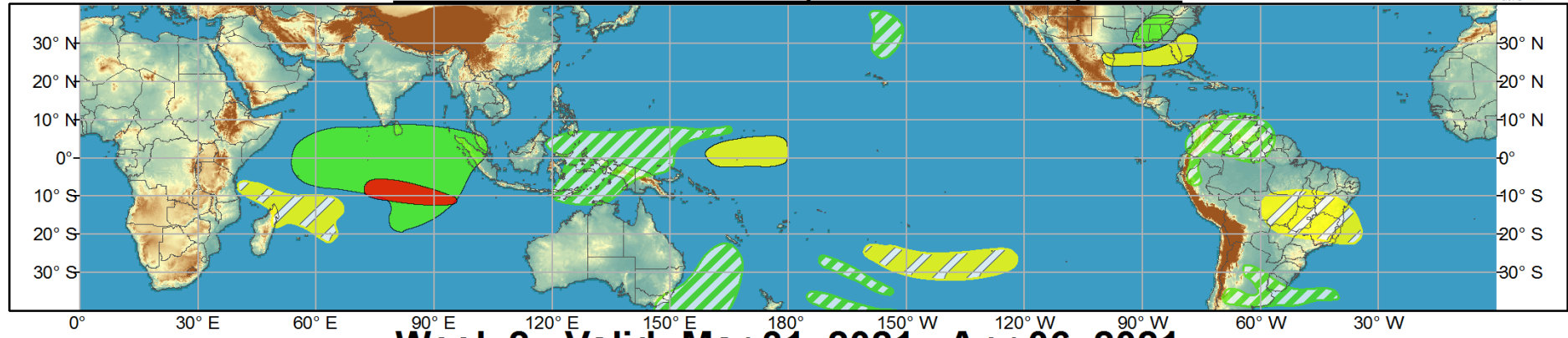


Today's maps likely to be fairly similar.

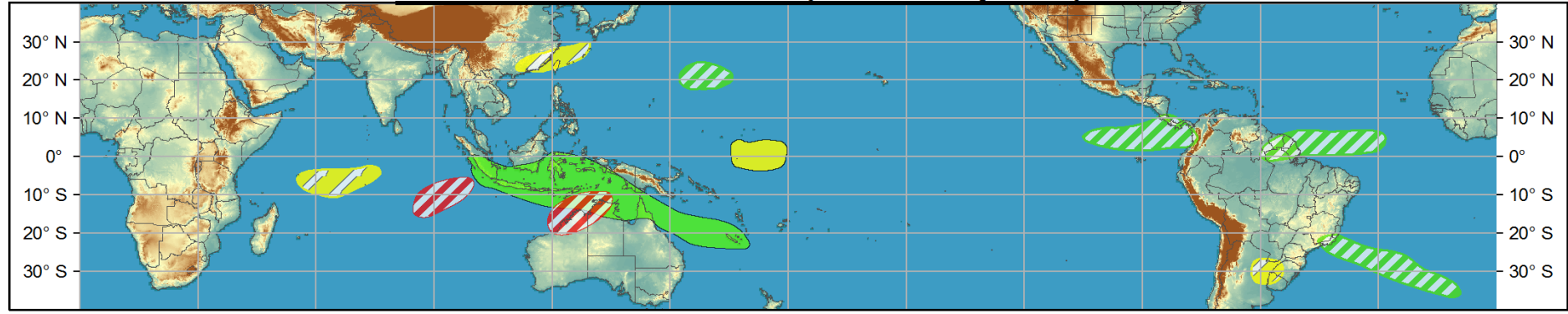


# Global Tropics Hazards and Benefits Outlook - Climate Prediction Center

## Week 1 - Valid: Mar 24, 2021 - Mar 30, 2021



## Week 2 - Valid: Mar 31, 2021 - Apr 06, 2021



Produced: 03/23/2021  
Forecaster: Harnos

Confidence		
High	Moderate	
		Tropical Cyclone Formation Development of a tropical cyclone (tropical depression - TD, or greater strength).
		Above-average rainfall Weekly total rainfall in the upper third of the historical range.
		Below-average rainfall Weekly total rainfall in the lower third of the historical range.
		Above-normal temperatures 7-day mean temperatures in the upper third of the historical range.
		Below-normal temperatures 7-day mean temperatures in the lower third of the historical range.

Product is updated once per week, except from 6/1 - 11/30 for the region from 120E to 0, 0 to 40N. The product targets broad scale conditions integrated over a 7-day period for US interests only. Consult your local responsible forecast agency.

